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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: MATRIX-TARGETED FUSION POLYPEPTIDES FOR TISSUE
REGENERATION AND WOUND HEALING

The prior application is assigned of record to University of Southern California,
a California corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and
Trademark Office and recorded on January 31, 2001 at 011512/0805.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	55
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Enclosures:

- Information Disclosure Statement (1 page);
- Form PTO-1449, 2 pages, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- Preliminary amendment, (6 pages);
- Request to Transfer Computer Readable Form (1 page);
- Paper copy of Sequence Listing filed January 14, 2002 (14 pages); which were filed in the parent application. Please enter these in this application.

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- Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.
- Postcard.

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/624,874, filed July 21, 2000, which claims priority to U.S. provisional application serial no. 60/145,488, filed July 21, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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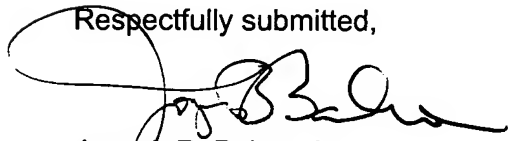
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